(2) Which has not been assigned an FSA farm serial number, the county office which services the county in which such stand is located.

Normal mortality means:

- (1) With respect to a request for relief for trees planted to produce annual crops the average extent of plant death on the individual stand which normally would have occurred with respect to eligible seedlings during the 12 months previous to the loss with respect to which assistance is requested under this part without regard to any detrimental conditions which do not regularly effect seedling of tree survival rates in the local area, as determined by the county committee in accordance with instructions issued by FSA.
- (2) With respect to a request for relief for seedlings planted to produce trees for harvest the average extent of plant death on the individual stand which normally would have occurred with respect to eligible seedlings during the period between the time of planting and the time of the loss with respect to which assistance is requested under this part without regard to any detrimental conditions which do not regularly effect seedling or tree survival rates in the local area, as determined by the county committee in accordance with instructions of the Deputy Administrator.
- (3) With respect to nursery inventory planted for commercial purposes, the average extent of plant death on the individual stand which normally would have occurred with respect to eligible nursery inventory during the months previous to the loss with respect to which assistance is requested under this part without regard to any detrimental conditions which do not regularly affect nursery inventory survival rates in the local area, as determined by the county committee in accordance with instructions issued by FSA.

Nursery inventory means all commercial nursery plants grown for transplant or sale, including aquatic plants, ornamental, field or container grown plants, excluding open grown field grown sod, grasses, legumes, and similar plants as determined by the Deputy Administrator.

Operator means a person who is in general control for the tree farming operations as determined by CCC.

Seedling means a tree or plant which was planted in the ground for commercial purposes.

State means any State of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or Guam.

State committee, State office, county, committee, or county office, means the respective FSA committee or FSA office.

Subsequent signup period means the signup period for assistance for 1993 and 1994 losses which will be held only when the President declares an economic emergency as specified in Public Law 103–211 and Public Law 103–330.

(c) In the regulations in this part and in all instructions, terms, and documents in connection therewith, all other words and phrases specifically relating to FSA operations shall, unless the context of the subject matter otherwise requires, have the meanings assigned to them in the regulations governing reconstitution of farms, allotments, and bases in part 719 of this title.

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§1478.4 Program availability.

- (a) A request for assistance under this part made available during the initial signup period must be submitted to CCC at the county office in the county where the farm is administered by March 31, 1995.
- (b) Final signup period means the signup period beginning on May 9, 1994, and ending on July 29, 1994, for 1993 nursery losses; November 21, 1994, through March 31, 1995, for 1994 losses; or other such date as established by CCC. All related documentation shall be submitted no later than July 15, 1995, for assistance to eligible producers who have incurred losses in 1994 caused by damaging weather.

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§1478.5 Qualifying loss.

(a) A person shall be eligible to receive assistance under this part with respect to losses due to damaging weather, including but not limited to drought, freeze, earthquake, or related